



# Eddie the Elephant's Marvelous Trunk

In a time long ago, in a land filled with wonders, there lived a young, inquisitive Elephant, who we'll call Eddie. Unlike other elephants, Eddie had a tiny nose, no bigger than a boot, which wiggled this way and that but couldn't pick up anything. Eddie's curiosity was as big as the African savannah he called home. He questioned everything and everyone, filling Africa with his endless "whys" and "hows".

One day, driven by his insatiable curiosity, Eddie asked a question that no one had dared to ask before, "What does the Crocodile eat for dinner?" This question caused such alarm that his family, in a flurry of worry, promptly spanked him for being too inquisitive.

Undeterred, Eddie sought the wise Kolokolo Bird, who advised him to venture to the great, grey-green, greasy Limpopo River, flanked by fever-trees, to find the answer. With a heart full of excitement and a bundle of snacks, Eddie bid farewell to his family and embarked on a grand adventure.

Eddie's journey was long and filled with melon munching. He traveled across vast landscapes until he reached the famous Limpopo River. There, he encountered a colorful array of creatures, including a sceptical Bi-Coloured-Python-Rock-Snake, who, like everyone else, spanked Eddie for his endless questions.

Finally, Eddie met the Crocodile, who cunningly invited Eddie closer with the promise of sharing his dinner menu. But alas, the Crocodile had other plans and caught Eddie's little nose in his mighty jaws!

The tug-of-war that followed stretched Eddie's nose longer and longer, turning it into a magnificent trunk. With the help of the wise Rock-Snake, Eddie finally freed himself from the Crocodile's grasp.

His new, long trunk proved to be quite handy - swatting flies, picking fruit, and even creating a cool mud hat!

Eddie, now proud of his unique trunk, returned to his family, who were astonished by his transformation. He demonstrated the many uses of his trunk, from picking up his naughty relatives to keeping himself cool and comfortable.

In the end, Eddie's 'satiabile curiosity not only brought about his remarkable trunk but also changed all elephants forever. And that, O Best Beloved, is how the Elephant got his trunk, and why to this day, they are known for their magnificent, long noses.